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Butzel Long attorney Mark R. Lezotte, lauded for 15-year volunteer service on United Cerebral Palsy National Board of Trustees

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DETROIT, Mich. – Mark Lezotte, a leading southeast Michigan health care attorney with Butzel Long, also is a devoted volunteer, who recently completed 15 years of service on the United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) National Board of Trustees.

Lezotte has long served UCP in various public policy and governmental activities roles, and as chair of UCP's national public policy committee. During his time on the board, he played a central role in guiding UCP staff and volunteers in defining the national public policy work, meeting with Congressional leaders and consulted with advocates on formation of a national policy agenda in partnership with other national organizations. He, received the UCP National Chairperson's Award in 2004, and has served as a board member and president of UCP of Metropolitan Detroit.

Apart from his many contributions to public policy, Lezotte served on ad hoc committees to review the organization's strategic plan, explore possible collaborations and provided pro bono legal counsel.

In reflecting on Mark's years of service to UCP, Interim CEO Richard Forkosh said, "Mark is the type of leader that nonprofits like UCP need at the table. He brings legal acumen to complex problems, but also thinks on his feet. We are very grateful for his countless hours of service to our organization and for the strategic value he has brought to our areas of greatest need. I appreciated having Mark as a thought partner all these years, and am very glad he will continue to volunteer his time with us despite stepping off the Board this year."

Lezotte has substantial experience in corporate, health care, tax, and exempt organization matters, including corporate and nonprofit governance, business transactions, tax-exempt issues, hospital-physician ventures, and regulatory investigations. He

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also has served in leadership roles on many other civic and nonprofit boards.

He has been active in numerous bar and professional organizations. He has been recognized in "The Best Lawyers in America" (health care law), published by Woodward/White, Inc. since 2013; and has been selected to Michigan Super Lawyers, published by Thomson Reuters, each year since 2008.